

January 27, 2011

Mr. Dennis Rose Public Works Department City of Hollister 375 Fifth St. Hollister, CA 95023

Re: City of Hollister Recycling Treatment Plant

Dear Mr. Rose:

It has been brought to my attention that for all of 2009 and 2010 we have incorrectly identified in our laboratory reports the Settleable Matter test using EPA Method 160.5 using reporting units that identify it as a 30-minute test. However, by means of this letter I certify as laboratory director that the Settleable Solids test was performed following Standard Method 2540F and using the correct 60-minute settling period. EPA Method 160.5 for Settleable Matter (now called Settleable Solids), was not used. All future solids settling test laboratory reports will be identified as the Settleable Solids test using Standard Method 2540F.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly,

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cc: BEI Office